

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Examiner	:	BRITTAIN, James R.	TC/A.U.	:	3677
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Honorable Sir:

This Amendment and Response to Office Action is in response to the Non-final Office Action of January 24, 2007. Please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following:

**Amendments to the Specification and Claims**, which are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.